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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 1st, 1907.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong, who is actively interesting himself in the promotion of the monstrous Chinese procession for the middle of December has approached us with regard to the reference that appeared in our issue of yesterday. He thinks the fears of our Chinese correspondent were ridiculously exaggerated. With regard to the introduction of infectious disease by the anticipated enormous influx of visitors, he points out that the period chosen for the fete is a safe one, when the cold weather militates against the aggressive microbe; and he informs us that on this point the medical officers of the Colony are unanimous in their repudiation of any cause for such alarm as was shown by the correspondent first quoted. The other fears expressed were equally groundless, while there are numerous arguments in favour of the scheme. The fear of an increase of crime need not be seriously considered, since the police would naturally take measures to cope with the temporary increase of population, and exercise more than usual vigilance. It has not been proved that the Macao authorities encountered any such difficulty at their recent fete, which on the other hand has done a great deal of good to the tradesmen of the neighbouring colony. As to the stall-holders in the markets taking advantage of the greater demand for foodstuffs, and increasing their prices as suggested by our

Chinese correspondent, we are assured that this would not be permitted. The market people understand that they would in any case share in the boom and benefits expected by all other tradesmen, and it is further understood that they have been approached, and are quite willing to make arrangements to cater for the swollen demand without going to the length imagined by the nervous critic. On the other hand, we are asked to contemplate the immediate results of a hundred thousand visitors from the interior staying in the locality for a week. A simple process of arithmetic will show what a very large sum of money should be brought to the Colony and left here. Each person must spend something, and that something, however small, when multiplied by the number of visitors, presents itself in the aggregate as an inducement to the tradesmen of Hongkong to give their hearty support to the scheme. That this is the view taken by ninety-five per cent of the persons approached on the matter is a statement with which Mr. Ho Kom Tong by no means taxed our credulity; and we were less surprised than gratified to learn from him that already fifteen thousand dollars have been contributed or promised towards the initial cost of promotion, all of it by tradesmen, who have thus shown their faith in the them benevolent results of such a fete. Beyond that again, it must be admitted that Hongkong, in its present commercial depression, would be no worse for some such fillip to revive it. There are two hundred and seventy houses empty in Hongkong just now, and the leading Chinese citizens hold the belief that, out of the big crowd of Chinese who would thus be attracted to the Colony, there would be many who would be so impressed by the obvious advantages of residence here that they would there and then decide to throw in their lot with us, and become permanent residents. As a further inducement of public sympathy and support, it is suggested that out of the profits of the fete the local charities would be sure to receive their share. If the Government accept this view, and it is understood that more than a few members of it have signified sympathy and approval, there should be no obstacle placed in the way of the promoters, to whom we have little doubt the majority of citizens will be wishing success.

The 235th plague case was notified yesterday. Mark Twain's latest toast is "To the ladies second only to the Press in the dissemination of news."

The Thaws have sold some rich coal land for £400,000 to raise money for Harry Thaw's further defence.

Apples as large as small melons are now being imported from Tasmania. They cost 8d. each wholesale in London.

Business men in Glasgow and Edinburgh are vigorously pushing a project for a ship canal to unite the Forth and Clyde.

An Esperanto church has been established in Constantinople. Its object is to afford facilities for worship to visitors of all nations.

The Berlin "Imperial Gazette" announces that the German Emperor has conferred the Grand Cross of the Red Eagle upon Mr. Iacony, the retiring Japanese Ambassador in Berlin.

Thirty-nine deportees and undesirables arrived in the Colony yesterday by the a.s. *Hongkong* from Singapore. They are being kept at the Central Police Station and will be returned to China as early as possible.

Bananas are now ripened in London by electricity. They are hung in airtight rooms, which are flooded with electric light. The powerful lamps have the same effect as sunshine, and the ripening of the fruit can easily be regulated.

A contributor to the "Reader" says: "A young man visited my tailor the other day and said: 'I am going in for rowing, and I want to be measured for two pairs of rowing shorts, you know—the kind with sliding seats.'"

It is reported that Sir Richard Cartwright, Minister of Trade and Commerce, will be appointed Commissioner to arrange with the Japanese authorities a scheme for the limited immigration of Japanese into Canada.

Renter's correspondent at Berlin states that a telegram from Hamburg announces that the German Ministry of Marine has entrusted the Blohm and Voss Works with the construction of a large armoured cruiser, which will be fitted with turbine engines.

Re the strike of telegraph operators in America, the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company, Limited now notifies that messages to all parts of the United States and Canada are no longer subject to abnormal delay.

Mr. H. W. Stevenson, the billiard champion, who has so far not offered us any further explanation of the renewed strictures by our Shanghai contmpany, is announced to play an exhibition game at St. George's Club on the night of Nov. 5th. This unfortunate clashes with the exhibition of pugilism by Professor Bellw.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.

THE GERMAN SCANDAL.

LONDON, October 31st.
Count Kuno Moltke has appealed against the decision of the Court which acquitted Herr Harden.

EARTHQUAKE IN BOKHARA.

LONDON, October 31st.
An earthquake has occurred at Keratag, Bokhara, in which it is believed that 15,000 people have been killed.

THE VLADIVOSTOCK MUTINY.

TOKYO, October 31st.
It does not appear as if the mutiny at Vladivostock had endangered the city. It was confined to the harbour and military quarters, and has been suppressed.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

LONDON, October 29th.
The total engagements in gold, for import in New York amount to \$27,500,000. Seventy-eight shillings per ounce was paid for gold on the open market in London for £1,000,000 for America.

The Chicago grain markets broke heavily owing to the financial situation in New York, but the big holders are undisturbed and there was a partial recovery at the close.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, October 29th.
The election returns for the new Duma show a large preponderance of Reactionaries. Out of 327 results, 166 are Monarchists as compared with 25 Constitutional Democrats and 9 Socialists.

THE N. C. C. IN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, October 29th.
England's total in the game at Perth was 402, of which Fane made 138. Westralia made 152 and followed on, score at close 12 for 0.

BETTING ON THE CAMBRIDGE-SHIRE.

LONDON, October 29th.
The latest betting on the Cambridgeshire is 11/2 against Dean Swift, 6/1 against Land League and Malua, 8/1 against Stick Up, 100/12 against Retor, 100/8 against Lady Hasty, 100/7 against Andover, 25/1 against Linacre.

THE GERMAN SENSATION.

LONDON, October 29th.
A verdict has been given for Herr Harden and Count Kuno Moltke ordered to bear the costs of the trial.

THE KING AND QUEEN OF SPAIN'S VISIT TO ENGLAND.

LONDON, October 29th.
The train conveying the King and Queen of Spain and the infant Prince from Paris, en route to England was derailed. Their Majesties escaped with a severe shaking and arrived at Cherbourg, and later at Portsmouth in H.M.S. *Renown*.

AN ACTIVE INSTITUTION.

[Contributed.]

The season's work of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. is beginning. This organisation which stands for the development of men intellectually, physically and morally here as elsewhere over the world is attracting young men of marked virile qualities. Aside from the physical work which is so attractive to young men and which here is giving to numbers of young men the privilege of having needed exercise without any of the bad influences which sometimes attend such events, this year the local branch is enrolling a goodly number of young men in its educational work. The schedule of studies includes Mechanical Drawing, Advanced Chinese, three grades of English, Shorthand, Typewriting, Mandarin, English Literature and Book-keeping. An experienced staff of instructors are giving personal attention to each student which ensures continued interest and rapid progress. This educational work is to help men to help themselves. It is a school run for men and not for money.

Business men of the Colony who have young men in their employ who need more preparatory work would do well to recommend such men to come to this school. This would do a favor to the men and would also help this Association which calls for a large degree of co-operation from all men in any city in which it may be organised.

The mass meeting held on Sunday gives an opportunity for men to hear men speak out when the fact is mentioned that it prominently dissociates itself from the Chinese political propaganda in the Colony which has recently formed the excuse for an Ordinance dealing with sedition publications.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

The Ministering Children's League—that excellent organisation founded some years ago by the Countess of Meath whereby children of parents comfortably off were enabled to show in a practical way their sympathy for the young people less fortunately circumstanced than themselves—is represented in Hongkong by an active branch, and the result of the labours of its members and associates are seen in the annual bazaar at which the work done during the year is offered for sale. Yesterday afternoon the Bazaar and fete, held under the above auspices, was favoured with fair weather, and a considerable number of ladies and gentlemen attended to show their interest in an undertaking inspired by such laudable motives. Mrs. May, who is the president of the League, had working with her a number of ladies as associates, and the outcome of their efforts was praiseworthy indeed. The Volunteer Parade Ground was bordered with bunting, and in this enclosure a number of stalls, laden with fancy goods, were erected. There were also several devices calculated to provide amusement, and visitors found ample opportunity for spending money in a good cause. The proceeds, it should be added, are divided among local charities. In the sum of \$200 and the interest thereon \$184.56, in all \$384.56. On the face of it it was admitted that the promissory note was statute barred. At the time the plaintiff advanced the money he was about 16 years of age, and now he was just over 21 according to the English computation. Therefore the disability of infancy had been removed within the last six or eight months and the Statute of Limitations did not run against his client. If the Statute did run against an infant it was conceivable that a child of four or five years might have a wrong done him and he would be statute barred at the age of seven. That was a most absurd proposition. An infant was under the disability of auleg. He was under a restricted ability. He could always bring an action by his next friend. He submitted that the State of Limitations did not run against his client because disability only ceased six months ago.

Plaintiff gave evidence as to lending the money to defendant and to receiving 3% interest in July.

Mr. d'Almada cross-examined with a view to eliciting that the money was lent by plaintiff's mother.

Defendant gave evidence that he borrowed the money from plaintiff's mother, who was his sister, and at her request the promissory note was made out in the name of her son, the plaintiff. Defendant had never paid any money to the plaintiff but to his mother, to whom he had returned \$100 of the principal. His sister did return the promissory note because she said she had lost it. He made out another.

Mr. d'Almada argued that the statute of limitations applied. No payment having been made for six years plaintiff was barred from suing. Plaintiff sued for the whole amount but having admitted the receipt of a payment from the defendant he was precluded from obtaining judgment on the statement of claim filed.

Mr. Daniel pointed out that defendant having admitted payment kept the right of action alive.

His Honour reserved his decision, and adjourned the case sine die.

The case in which F. Blundell sued the Connaught Hotel for \$12 for the recovery of a pair of trousers lost by plaintiff in the hotel was called. Mr. P. M. Hodges now appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. R. A. Harding acted for the defendant.

Plaintiff repeated the evidence given at the former hearing, stating that on June 23rd he went to wash among other things a pair of pongee silk trousers, which were not returned. In their place was a pair which did not belong to him. The room boy told him there was a hotel washerman.

Cross-examined—He did not know whether the hotel had a laundry or not. The boy said he would recommend the hotel laundryman.

For the defence—No man yuk, manager of the Connaught Hotel, said that the hotel did not do laundry work. A list of hotel rules, in which it was stated that the hotel did not undertake guest's washing, was exhibited in every room in the hotel.

His Honour gave judgment for defendant with costs.

IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. A. G. WISE (ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE).

RECEIVING ORDER GRANTED.

Mr. Morrell, acting for Mr. P. W. Goldring, applied for a receiving order in the case of the Kwong Yuen Cheung. He stated that the liabilities amounted to \$900,000 and the assets to \$50,000, having been reduced from \$100,000. The order was granted.

ADJUDICATION.

Mr. J. H. Gardner applied for the adjudication of Kwok Pui Chi as bankrupt and the appointment of Mr. C. F. Dixon as official trustee, which was granted.

EXAMINATION CLOSED.

Mr. Morrell applied that the E Yuen firm be adjudicated bankrupt. His Lordship consented, and the public examination was closed.

HOTEL KEEPER'S FAILURE.

Au Kee Po, of the Occidental and Baltimore Hotels, was adjudicated bankrupt and the public examination closed. A meeting of creditors had been held but no resolution had been passed.

BANKRUPTCY ANNULLED.

Mr. Grist applied that the bankruptcy proceedings in the case of Li Kwan Hing be annulled. Two reports were filed, in the last of which there was only one material point—the 30 per cent. had been paid.

His Lordship—The creditors have received this money? One of the objections was that there was no security for the money and the examination was adjourned.

Mr. Kemp—I am satisfied that the money has either been paid or the creditors have agreed to make further claims.

Mr. Grist—It is really in accordance with

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, October 31st.

BEFORE MR. P. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A COUNTRY VISITOR'S EXPERIENCE.

A farmer from Taipo, who has been spending the week in the city seeing the sights, while admiring the display of goods in a shop window near the Fire Station on Wednesday afternoon, felt a tug at his pocket, and on turning round saw a man handing his purse, containing \$12, to another man. The person who received the purse escaped, but the farmer caught the alleged pickpocket. The latter pleaded not to be given charge, promising to take the countryman round the opium dens in search of the man who ran away with the purse. After touring the city for three hours without finding this man, the farmer decided to give the other in charge, and he appeared before the Court to answer the charge of pocket picking. The defendant told his Worship he was a respectable barber from Kowloon City, and came to Hongkong to buy a razor for his master, who could speak to his character.

His Worship adjourned the case to enable the police to make further inquiries.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY AND FORGERY.

As the result of an action in the summary jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, Lam Wing, Hau Kee, Li Hi-shin and Hop Wo-tong were charged with conspiracy to avert the course of justice. Again they were charged separately. Lam Wing with forgery and uttering; Hau Kee with forgery; Li Hi-shin with forgery, and Hop Wo-tong with forgery and uttering.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. A. Harding, appeared for the prosecution and Mr. R. Harding appeared for the defendants.

Mr. Pollock stated that the prosecution in the case arose out of proceedings taken in summary jurisdiction before Mr. Justice Wise. In the summary action, which commenced on September 2nd, the first defendant, Lam Wing, was the plaintiff and a firm called the Po Sang were defendants. In that action the plaintiff stated his claim in two alternative ways: he claimed from the defendants, as endorsee of Hau Kee, the sum of \$50,000 amount due on a promissory note. Hau Kee, the second defendant, was the party who appeared on the forged promissory note as payee, and the note was endorsed over to the plaintiff. In the other alternative the plaintiff claimed as assignee of Hau Kee. Presumably the object of putting in that alternative claim would be that if the document was not strictly a promissory note the plaintiff could proceed as assignee of Hau Kee under the agreement. The summary action started on September 2nd and concluded on October 18th when Mr. Justice Wise gave judgment for the defendants—the Po Sang. The first defendant was suing as endorsee or assignee from the second. The way in which the third and fourth came into the matter was that they were called by the plaintiff as witnesses for the purpose of supporting the first defendant's case as plaintiff in the action; and curiously enough these third and fourth defendants produced in Court a document purporting to be a promissory note in their favour, and purporting to be chopped by the Po Sang firm. The chop on these notes was identical with the chop on the promissory note sued upon by the first defendant. That chop was sworn to by the managing partner and son of the Po Sang shop to be a forged chop. The genuine chops of this firm were produced before his Lordship, and later his Worship would have an opportunity of comparing the genuine with the forged chop and, no doubt, would observe certain discrepancies between the two chops. Mr. Pollock wished to draw his Worship's attention to the fact that the first, third and fourth defendants produced promissory notes which had the identical forgery on them. He suggested to his Worship that it was obvious there had been a conspiracy on the part of these parties to defraud the Po Sang firm. His Worship would find in the first charge various statements which the defendants made before Mr. Justice Wise in the Summary Court, and he wished to point out to his Worship a certain general point with regard to those statements: all the defendants seemed to have told Mr. Wise that a man called Mui Hung was the man with whom they dealt; that was to say, that when money was deposited on each of these notes it was Mui Hung who was there to receive the money and chop the notes. As a matter of fact, it would appear from the evidence that Mui Hung was also concerned in the management of a boarding house, and during a considerable portion of the day he was absent at this boarding house.

His Worship—What is the Po Sang?

Mr. Pollock—A Chinese bank. Proceeding. Mr. Pollock stated that evidence would be given to show that the Po Sang did not issue any promissory notes. They never had in their possession any stamped paper stamped by the Stamp Office. Apart from the statements of witnesses from the Po Sang in confirmation of this statement he would call a witness from the Stamp Office who says that no requisition for stamp was made by the Po Sang. The defendants had put everything on to Mui Hung, and he denied it. The man who was left to look after the Po Sang business was Li Wan-cho. With regard to the note from Lam Wing to Hau Kee, that note had an impressed stamp dated 17th August. The defendants' story was that this stamped paper was in the press here. Little sympathy is felt for the men, except of course by the socialist papers, and it is pretty generally hoped that the conduct of the unions may at last open the eyes of the British public to the danger of allowing the labour party to get the upper hand in the government of the country. It ought at the same time to strengthen, it is thought, the lands of those who, although they may admit the necessity of reforms, oppose the abolition of the House of Lords, looking upon a hereditary chamber as one of the safeguards of the British constitution.

His Worship—Nor on any previous date?

Mr. Pollock—No. Continuing, Mr. Pollock said the notes produced by the third and fourth defendants were stamped August 27th. The

Stamp Officer produced a requisition on that date for stamps on no less than 23 promissory notes, and that requisition contained a chop on it which read, "correspondence chop of the Po Sang". But it would be proved that chop was a forgery. It also appeared that the requisition was by one, Tam Ho. No such person was in the employment of the Po Sang, neither was he known to the employees. Apart from the conspiracy Counsel said he would submit on the facts as regards the separate charges that all the defendants were parties to the forgery. The notes produced before his Worship were prepared obviously with the object of putting them in circulation and making use of them with intent to defraud the Po Sang.

Evidence was then called, and the case adjourned.

HAMBURG.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

October 3rd.

WHARFAGE EXTENSIONS.

The state department for trade and shipping having submitted to the Association of Hamburg shipowners plans for providing additional quay room, the latter have replied that whilst gratefully acknowledging the intention of the department they do not consider the projected extension to go far enough as during the last three years, in spite of the Hamburg American Line having removed all her shipping to the newly constructed docks in the Kuhwerder island, the accommodation here has proved entirely inadequate, whilst the rapid expansion of the trade of the port and the growing tendency to build vessels of a large type will cause a steadily increasing demand for quay frontage. Already in 1905 76 steamers suffered delay of together 128 days before being able to discharge their cargoes and in the following year 168 steamers were detained 400 days in all for want of quay room. For the same reason several of the regular steamer lines have to be satisfied with berths allotted to them on the left bank of the river, although the rates there are higher and two of the new lines, the one plying to New York and the other to the west coast of Africa, have so far not been able to obtain quays for their exclusive use at all. The contemplated extension of frontage of the Oswald quay and the Groeneweg Ufer does not exceed 850 meters which would provide additional berths for only seven steamers of average size; taking ten days as the average time required for discharging and loading this would be equal to additional accommodation for 252 steamers with together 2520 laydays in the course of the year. For 1908 an increase in frontage in another part of the harbour of about 610 meters is proposed, affording room for five steamers at a time or for 180 annually with together 1800 laydays. This obviously barely suffices to meet the present demand much less that of the future. During the ten years from 1851 to 1860 the average number of vessels arriving annually was 4649, from 1861 to 1870 it rose to 5092 or 8.53 per cent, from 1871 to 1880 to 5520 or 8.05 per cent, from 1890 to 7015 or 7.5 per cent, from 1891 to 1000 to 10523 or 50 per cent, and from 1901 to 1906 to 1418 or 36.07 per cent. The proposed extension of together 140 meters during the present year and the next does not amount to more than 11 per cent of the now available frontage of 13234 meters and bears no proportion to the rapidly increasing demand as illustrated by the figures just quoted. The Association of ship owners therefore express the hope that the state department will not only accelerate as much as is in their power the carrying out of the plans proposed but will, at the same time take into early consideration a further extension of quay frontage.

ANTWERP TROUBLES OVER.

The dockers' strike at Antwerp has come to an end at last! Finding that the German companies were determined to support the Association maritime in the struggle the men seem to have recognized their inability to carry it on and trusting to the assurances of the Burgomaster that the shipowners were prepared to make concessions once work was resumed on the old terms, surrendered unconditionally. At first only those engaged in the grain and timber docks were taken on again, but subsequently others were admitted as vacancies occurred and nearly the whole of them are now once more at work. The Association maritime however distinctly refuse to be bound by the promises made by the Burgomaster for which they maintain he had no authority and decline to dismiss the men they engaged during the strike in order to make room for the old ones. Most of the English hands by the way have gone home. The declaration of the owners has caused great dissatisfaction amongst the dockers and may rekindle the fire which, it is to be feared, is still smouldering under the ashes.

All the police from the six northern stations were called out, and encountered further showers of stones.

The Bengal papers publish extraordinary accounts of the casualties among the police, and they extol the courage of the mob.

As a matter of fact, however, the number of injured among the policemen is forty. Not a single arrest was made owing to the rapidity with which the rioters moved from place to place.

The excitement caused by the rioting last night has been increased by a strike of hawkeye carriage drivers, who resent the new Municipal regulations.

OTHER LABOUR TROUBLES.

The strike of the electricians in this town has ended in a compromise, the exact terms of which do not seem to be quite settled yet.

The dispute between the railway men and the companies in England is keenly watched by the press here. Little sympathy is felt for the men, except of course by the socialist papers, and it is pretty generally hoped that the conduct of the unions may at last open the eyes of the British public to the danger of allowing the labour party to get the upper hand in the government of the country. It ought at the same time to strengthen, it is thought, the lands of those who, although they may admit the necessity of reforms, oppose the abolition of the House of Lords, looking upon a hereditary chamber as one of the safeguards of the British constitution.

HAMBURG NEW UNIVERSITY.

A first step towards the foundation of a university in this city, so greatly desired by a large proportion of the educated classes, seems to have been taken. A Mr. Edmund Sievers, a wealthy merchant of this port who some ten years ago built a sanatorium for consumptives in the neighbourhood, has now offered to erect a large lecture hall at his own expense provided the state had chosen a suitable site. Senate and Bürgerschaft have accepted the offer and at the sitting of the latter last night it was decided to make a grant of a portion of a piece of waste land called the Moorweide in a sufficiently central position in the outskirts of the town for the purpose. The building is to contain twelve lecture halls the largest three of which of a capacity to hold 700, 500 and 300 persons respectively; besides these there will be smaller rooms for special classes, retiring rooms for the lecturers, and offices for the committee entrusted with the administration of the funds collected privately for the promotion of higher scientific education which now exceeds M. 4,000,000, and for the state board of education. A public competition for the plan will shortly be announced, one of the conditions being that they be so conceived as to allow of additions being made to the building should the necessity arise. This looks as if it were intended to form, as it were, the nucleus of a more extensive edifice when once the idea of a university materializes.

TOURING WITH SEDITION.

MR. KEIR HARDIE'S SPEECHES.

Mr. Keir Hardie, M.P., accompanied by Mr. Chowdhury, a Bengal barrister, and a leading Swadeshi agitator, is now touring Eastern Bengal. The full programme of his tour is published by the Bengal papers, and crowds and decorations await him at every station. The Bengal newspapers contain long narratives of the Labour leader's journey, and he is interviewed every day.

These papers ascribe to him statements to the effect that the condition of Eastern Bengal is worse than that of Russia, and that the atrocities committed by officials would, if they were known, evoke more horror in England than the Turkish outrages in Armenia. Myself, I am further represented to have declared, reminded him of a city in a state of siege. He is stated to have added that the party to which he belonged was not insignificant at home, and he belonged not to be despised at home, and would not tolerate such scandals.

These and similar remarks are freely quoted and commented on by the Bengal journals. Mr. Keir Hardie's tour is being followed in Calcutta with the greatest interest, and it tends to add considerably to the prevailing excitement.

Among Europeans the opinion is expressed that the native agitators to whose guidance Mr. Hardie has entrusted himself are taking advantage of his inexperience of Indian conditions to forward their own political ends.

Mr. Keir Hardie delivered a speech at Barisal in the course of which he said he would do his best to assist in making India a self-governing Colony like Canada. What was good for the Canadians, he added, must be good for the Indians.

The Barisal Mohammedans have presented a petition to the magistrates stating that they are unable to say their prayers owing to the continual shouts of "Bande Mataram" by the Hindoos in honour of Mr. Keir Hardie's visit.

The Englishman and the Indian Daily News condemn Mr. Keir Hardie's tour as very mischievous. The Daily News says: "To talk of Armenian horrors in connection with Eastern Bengal shows an amazing lack of sense of proportion."

The Bengal papers express their deepest gratitude to the labour-leader. The *Anvita Bharat Patrika* says: "The people are delighted with joy at the advent of Mr. Keir Hardie," and adds: "God sent Mr. Keir Hardie, whose arrival will demolish the gigantic conspiracy against the Hindus."

There was a serious rioting at Calcutta one evening. A meeting was held in Beadon-square in honour of the students who were recently punished for assaulting the police, and the speakers urged their hearers to establish self-government and meet opposition by force.

Intense excitement prevailed among the crowd, and it was not long before stones were thrown at the police who were present to keep order.

The police bore this patiently for a while until at last the order was given to disperse the mob.

The mob resisted, but was driven out of the square. The struggle was renewed in the streets in the vicinity, and torrents of stones were thrown from the roofs of the houses at the shops.

Reinforcements were summoned, and these were also stoned.

Numbers of hooligans joined the crowd, attacking anybody who came in their way and looting the shops.

By ten o'clock the disturbances extended from the Faubourg Belah-ham to the Sham Bazar, and all traffic was suspended. The street lamps were smashed by the mob.

The Bengal paper, "Bande Mataram," declares that scores of native policemen joined the hooligans after divesting themselves of their uniforms in order to avoid recognition, and that the stone-throwing was so incessant that the police fled in all directions.

At midnight all was quiet, but an hour or two later the crowds again gathered and broke a number of street lamps.

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The excitement caused by the rioting last night has been increased by a strike of hawkeye carriage drivers, who resent the new Municipal regulations.

The strikers are picketing the men still at work, and some cars have been destroyed.

A number of drivers created a disturbance outside the Municipal offices and abused the European Registrar, who was struck on the mouth with a brick.

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Reports as to the very high speeds attained by the Mauretania during her preliminary trials are not officially confirmed. In some quarters doubt is entertained whether, seeing that the vessel has lain in the water for a twelvemonth, she really did anything like 27½ knots. One thing at least is certain, namely, that satisfactory as have been the Cunarder's performances in the North Seas, they should be improved upon when she has been dry-docked at Liverpool. The Mauretania is expected to remain at Wallsend for two or three weeks before going round to the Mersey, and will probably be thrown open for pub inspection. Captain Pritchard, who has been selected to command her, has already made the acquaintance of the big boat.

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MISSION WORK IN CHINA.

In a further article contributed to *The Times* dealing more particularly with the difficulties of mission work in China, the Rev. Lord William Gresley Cecil writes:

The first difficulty in the way of Christianity is that the Gospel is regarded by the Chinese as something foreign, and it was (I use the past tense with emphasis) a great bane of all that was foreign. This difficulty has passed away to a great extent, since China has come to recognize that foreign knowledge is a necessity, and with it has passed the great desire to persecute; for the object of the persecution of the missionaries was not to make them recant or to take revenge for any fancied slight upon the gods of China, but merely to make life as unpleasant to them that they would, it was hoped, be glad to leave the country. China now wishes for foreigners to teach her; she welcomes foreign civilisation, and against Christianity as a religion she has never had any grudge; she is vague, tolerant, eclectic in religious matters, and if missionaries did not condemn what is called ancestor worship, would see no objection to Christianity. The respect for parents, the reverence for ancestors, is the one point where the Chinese exceed Europeans in virtue; and therefore it is most unfortunate that missions should even seem to discourage the use of the *sun* ritual and ceremony both to the dead.

Disturbances in Morocco are responsible for the announcement made by the Peninsular and Oriental Company that Tangier will be omitted from the itinerary of the cruise of the steam yacht *Victoria*. A call will be made at Cadiz instead. The P. & O. Company by the way, have lately got rid of several of their smaller cargo steamers, the latest to go being the *Mazagon* of 5,000 tons register, which since 1894 has been running in the company's service, chiefly between Bombay and Japan. Boats of this size are naturally being succeeded by modern cargo steamers of larger capacity.

By the death of Captain A. McLean Wait, their marine superintendent at New York, the Union-Castle Steamship Company has lost an honoured servant. Beginning his career in sail, he spent a short period in the inter-Colonial service of the British India Company, and in 1874 joined the Union-Castle Steamship Company, merged in later years with the Castle Line. Captain Wait took out a regiment to Egypt in the Arab during the troubles caused by Arabi Pasha, and as the company's marine superintendent at Southampton at the time of the Boer War, he was busily occupied in connection with the arrangements for the transport of troops to South Africa. As the commander of

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1907. 1

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F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1907. 1733

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.**CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW.**

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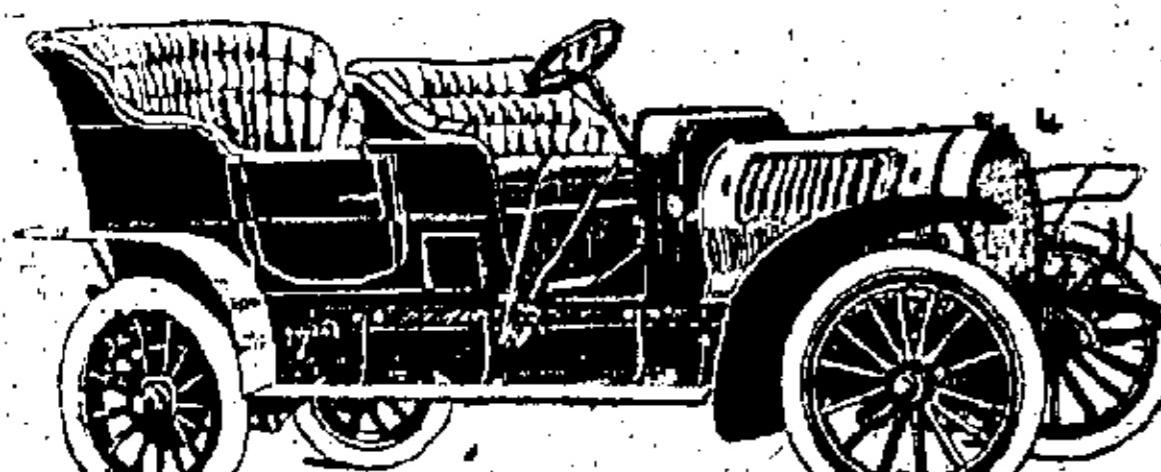
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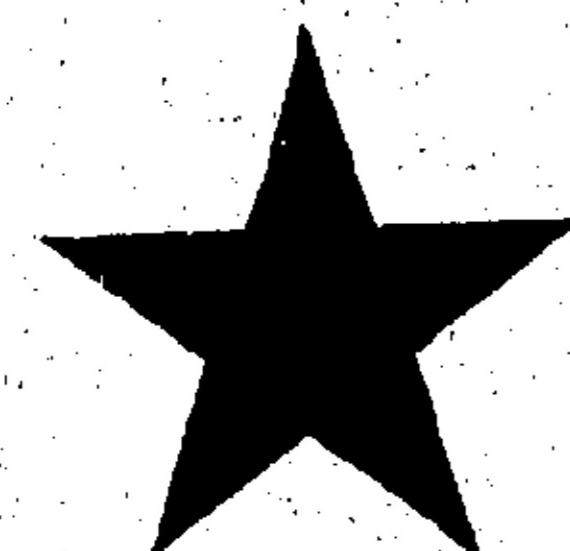
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MOTOR NOTES FROM HOME.

Written for the Hongkong Daily Press.

It is a significant fact that the British motor trade is turning to the Colonies and foreign fields of enterprise as antidotes to the evil of over production. Such firms as the Daimler Company, Argyll, Rover and Humber Companies have all been prospecting the possibilities of business in every corner of the globe.

The experimental trials of the cruiser Bonaventure and of the destroyers Spitfire and Electra have demonstrated beyond all doubt that crude petroleum is as reliable for generating motive power in warships as coal.

The Dreadnought carries about 1,500 tons of liquid fuel, and she made use of it on her long Atlantic run with marked success. Many of the new torpedo craft are fitted for liquid fuel consumption.

The Admiralty decided early this year to construct four 5,000-ton steel tanks, surrounded by earthworks, for the storage of 20,000 tons of oil fuel on the Medway.

There will be an oil-pumping station and the berthing for war vessels will allow the largest ships in the service to go alongside to take in oil fuel at any stage of the tide.

Government experts who have visited the territory are convinced that before long Nigeria will be one of the greatest oil producing regions in the world, and an "Express" representative was informed by Mr. H. J. Brown, chairman of one of the principal Nigerian oil prospecting companies that the Admiralty has almost completed plans for the establishment of a liquid fuel station for the Navy at Lagos, the seaport of Nigeria.

The discovery of oil in any sufficient quantity will not only raise the Colony to a high rank among Imperial assets, but it will mean the superseding of steam coal by liquid fuel in the British Navy. And for the British Navy to adopt openly liquid fuel is for all navies to do so. Then will be seen the greatest boom in the oil industry that has ever been experienced.

The naval authorities have been convinced for a considerable time of the superiority of liquid fuel, either alone or in conjunction with some other, but strategic reasons have imposed silence and delay. It would be poor policy to declare to the world that one of Britain's great sources of strength, her steam coal, was to be superseded unless somewhere within the British Empire there were oilfields of sufficient magnitude to enable all British needs to be supplied without being dependent—at any rate in time of war—on foreign supplies.

At present, practically the only large sources of supply of the crude oil used in the Navy are the United States and Russia. While unlimited quantities of this are accessible in times of peace, it would become contraband of war immediately on the outbreak of hostilities.

It is the hitherto unexplored oil resources of Nigeria, which have suddenly invested that part of the world with such importance, and made the peaceful control of it so vital. To these potential oilfields may be traced the decision to construct railways, and in every way to facilitate the complete control of the country.

A remarkable ordinance for the regulation of the oilfield has just been adopted with the approval of the Legislative Council of Southern Nigeria, and signed by the Governor, Sir Walter Egerton, K.C.M.G.

In this ordinance, which was inspected by an "Express" representative yesterday in the library of the Colonial Office, important clauses are incorporated empowering the Government to purchase oil from licence-holders at any time, and in the event of war actually to take over the works of private firms.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

DULCHI, British str., 4,783, J. D. Andrews, E.N.E., 31st October—Shanghai 29th Oct., General P. & O. S. N. Co.
DEVANIA, British str., 4,785, T. H. Hides, E.N.E., 31st October—Bombay 15th, & Singapore 26th October, Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
FRIMONT, Norwegian str., 391, O. Andersen, 31st October—Swatow 30th Oct., General O. Aksel Shonen Kaisha.
HAI CHU, Chinese cruiser, 4,300, Comdr. S. K. Shan, 31st October—Shanghai 28th Oct.
HAI YUN, Chinese cruiser, 4,300, P. Y. Lin, 31st October—Shanghai 28th Oct.
HONGMOK, British str., 2,555, Dawson, 30th October—Singapore 25th Oct., General Chinese.
KANAGAWA MARU, Japanese str., 3,822, N. Ohno, 31st October—London 21st Sept., and Singapore 25th October, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
KANSU, British str., 1,433, J. Speed, 31st Oct., Wuhan 25th October, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
KWANGTUNG, British str., 1,228, A. Sted, 31st Oct.—Nanking 22d, Dally 24th and Chao-tso 23rd Oct., General—Butterfield & Swire.
KWANTUNG, Chinese str., 1,536, Wm. H. Lum, 31st October—Shanghai 28th October, General—Chinese.
LAVALIER, British str., 7,507, E. G. Andrews, 31st October—Antwerp and London 22nd Sept., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

CLEARANCES

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
31st October.
Proto, Norwegian str., for Haiphong.
Signal, German str., for Haiphong.
Tambu Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.

DEPARTURES

3rd October.
ALCINOUS, British str., for Shanghai.
DELI, German str., for Bangkok.
HILARY, German str., for Batavia.
HOHENSTEIN, German str., for Singapore.
HONGHIS, British str., for Amoy.
KANSU, British str., for Canton.
KUMANO MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
KWANGTUNG, British str., for Canton.
KWANGTUNG, Chinese str., for Canton.
NANCHANG, British str., for Swatow.
SUNGRIAN, British str., for Cebu.
TAIWAN, British str., for Sydney.
YUCHOW, British str., for Canton.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Hongmok* reports: Moderate to fresh S. to S. W. winds with a high N. E. sea nearing Hongkong.
The British str. *Kwangs* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon in Formosa Channel, threatening weather with high confused seas:
The British str. *Kansu* reports: On 30th Oct., off Breaker Point experienced strong winds from N. E. to South round to West, with violent rain squalls, thunder and lightning.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

October 31st.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
KOWLOON DOCKS—Kinshun, Neil Meleod,
Chinaman, Potuan, Singan.
CHAMOISIN DOCKS.—

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

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For SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING."
Capt. A. E. Hodges, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 1st November, at 9 A.M.
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General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th October, 1907. 1734

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Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamers proceeding direct to Marseilles and London other cargo for London, &c. will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "EGYPT" due in London on 14th December, 1907.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 21st October, 1907. 1

For SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR."
Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 2nd Nov., at 3 P.M.

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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "a" nearest Hongkong "b" midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "c" and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "d" together with the number denoting the section.

NOTICES.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL...	DELHY	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, E.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BORNEO	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 6th inst.
MARSEILLE, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	ERNEST SIMONS	Française	—	Girard	MELCHERS & CO.	On 12th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLE, HAVRE & COPIENHAGEN	CANTON	Swed. str.	k. w.	Brahmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	End of November.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Balle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	25th Inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ROON	Ger. str.	k. w.	G. Meiners	MELCHERS & CO.	On 11th December.
NAPLES, GENOVA, ALGERIA &c.	ISCHIA	Ital. str.	—	Dini	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 6th inst., at Noon.
NAPLES & GENOA VIA SINGAPORE &c.	CHINA	Aust. str.	—	A. Petris	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	About 1st inst.
TRISTEZA &c. VIA SINGAPORE &c.	KIEV	Russ. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
CONSTANTINOPLE ODESSA & BLACK SEA PORTS	OCEAN MONARCH	Am. str.	—	—	SHEWAN TOMES & CO.	To-morrow.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SCHUYLKILL	Brit. str.	1 m.	Anderson	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 1st December.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 6th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
V. (TORIA) (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SHAWMUT	Aust. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 18th inst.
CALLAO AND IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KATHERINE PARK	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	End of November.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TSINAN	Brit. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 7th inst., at Noon.
KOBE	PRINZ WILHELM	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN TOMES & CO.	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA AND KUBE	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Brit. str.	—	—	STUTTGART & SWIRE	About 15th inst.
JAPAN	TILWONG	Dut. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
TIENTSIN	CHENGKONGH	Brit. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LINIE	On 4th inst., at 4 P.M.
CHIEFOU & TIENTSIN	KUEICHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. H. Lisman	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	SHOREH MARU	Jan. str.	—	G. Hooker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	WAISHING	Brit. str.	—	M. Nomoto	OBKA SHOSHO KAISHA	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	W. F. Richard	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	About 1st inst.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HANGANG	Brit. str.	—	A. E. Sandbach	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 3rd inst., at D'light.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KUBE	PALERMO	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 2nd inst.
SHANGHAI (DIRECT)	YOCHEW	Swed. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINCESS ALICE	Brit. str.	—	F. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SILESIA	Ger. str.	—	G. Both	MELCHERS & CO.	On 5th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	NAMEANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 6th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DOETMUND	Brit. str.	—	D. C. Gregor, E.N.E.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	On 8th inst., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI (DIRECT)	SIAM	Dan. str.	—	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 10th inst.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	FEITHJE	Nor. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 20th inst.
JOSEN MARU	JOSEN MARU	Jan. str.	—	O. Anderson	OBKA SHOSHO KAISHA	End of November.
HAI CHING	HAI CHING	Brit. str.	—	H. S. Smith	OBKA SHOSHO KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
PAKKOI	PAKKOI	Brit. str.	—	A. E. Hodgins	Douglas Lapeyre & Co.	On 3rd inst., at 9 A.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	KWANGSE	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 9 A.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	KUHLANG	Brit. str.	—	Stodd	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 6th inst., at 4 P.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	SHAOSHING	Brit. str.	—	H. A. Waugh	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	SINGAN	Brit. str.	—	L. D. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	Jameson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd inst., at D'light
ZAFIRO	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	T. Meyrick	To-morrow.	To-morrow.
MANILA	TAMINO	Brit. str.	—	A. Fraser	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	S. J. Payne	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	On 8th inst., at 4 P.M.
CEBU & ILOILO	BUBI	Brit. str.	—	R. Almond	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.
SANDAKAN	KAITONG	Brit. str.	—	E. Finlayson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	—	R. Houghton	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	Beginning of November.
SINGAPORE PENANG & CALCUTTA	ARRATOON APCAR	Gen. str.	—	F. Sembl	MELCHERS & CO., LTD.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE PENANG & CALCUTTA	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	—	A. Stewart	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.	On 5th inst., at 3 P.M.
JAVA PORTS	FOOKSANG	Brit. str.	—	E. Fey	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.	On 12th inst., at 3 P.M.
	TIJIPANAS	Dut. str.	—	W. E. Sawyer	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.

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SHANGHAI	DEYANHA	About 1st Nov.	Freight and Passage. Capt. T. H. Hide, E.N.E.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS	DELHI	Noon	See Special OF CALL..... Capt. J. D. Andrews, E.N.E.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, PALERMO	ABOUT 2nd Nov.	Freight only. Capt. E. G. Andrews	
LONDON and ANTWERP	BORNEO	About 6th Nov.	Freight and VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAUD and MARIE LIES
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	SYRIA	About 10th Nov.	Freight and Passage. Capt. D. C. Gregor, R.N.R.

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Hongkong, 29th October, 1907.

**CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,
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HIOHOW and HAIPHONG	SINGHAN	On 3rd Nov., D'light
SHANGHAI Direct	" YOCHOW "	On 4th Nov., 4 P.M.
MANILA	" TAMING "	On 5th Nov., 4 P.M.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	" KIUKIANG "	On 6th Nov., 4 P.M.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	" PAKHOK "	On 6th Nov., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	" KWANGSE "	On 7th Nov., 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and TIENSIN	" KAI FONG "	On 7th Nov., 4 P.M.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	" KUEI GHOW "	On 9th Nov., 4 P.M.
KOBE	" SHAONING "	On 17th Nov., 4 P.M.
	" TSINAN "	On 25th Nov., 4 P.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	PRINZESS ALICE	Tuesday, 5th November. Capt. G. Roth
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP, HAMBURG	" ROON "	Wednesday, 6th Nov. Capt. G. Meiners
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BEIS-BANE, SAMARAI, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	" PRINZ WALDEMAR "	Thursday, 7th Nov. Capt. W. v. Sanden
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	" PRINZ SIGISMUND "	About Friday, 15th November. Capt. U. Lenz
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	" BORNEO "	Beginning of November. Capt. F. Semper

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TAMSUI VIA SWATOW "JOSHIN MARU" SUNDAY, 3rd Nov. 9 A.M. AND AMOY Capt. H. S. Smith

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1907.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TIJUPANAS	JAVA	First half of Nov.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Nov.
TJIMAH	JAPAN	First half of Nov.	JAVA PORTS	First half of Nov.
TJILIWONG	JAVA	Second half of Nov.	JAPAN	Second half of Nov.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of Nov.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Nov.
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	Nov.	JAVA PORTS	First half of Dec.
TJKINI	JAVA	Dec.	JAPAN	Dec.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1907.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS	ACARA	British str. 3,174 Wm. Hume 18th October New York 27th August, Oil Standard Oil Co.
AMERICA MARU	Japanese str. 3,460	Philip H. Going, 30th October—San Francisco 2nd and Shanghai 27th Oct., Mails and General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
ARABIAN APCAR	British str. 2,931	A. Stewart, 29th October—Moj 24th October, General—David Sassoon & Co.
BOURBON	French str. 3,07	Salson 17th Oct., General—Chinese.
CHINCHING	British str. 1,459	W. B. Brown, 20th October—Kobe 23rd October, General—Butterfield & Swire.
DERWENT	British str. 1,562	Jenkins, 29th Oct.—Saigon 24th Oct., Rice and Mails—Chinese.
DRUPAT	Norwegian steamer, 1,102	J. Ding, 30th Oct.—Bangkok and Swatow 29th Oct., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
ELLEN HICKMAN	German str. 5,000	H. Pepe, 29th October—Moj 23rd October, Coal—Bradley & Co.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN	British str. 5,940	H. Pepe, 20th October—Vancouver B.C. 1st October, Mails and General—C.P. R. Co.
HALIFAX	British str. 2,967	J. W. Martin, 25th October—Chinwangtung 19th October, Gibb, Livingston & Co.
HAINCHING	British str. 1,267	A. E. Hodgins, 30th October—Coast Ports 29th October, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
HANGANG	British str. 1,356	S. Wilde, 29th October—Shanghai and Swatow 28th October, General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
HELICOPTE	British str. 2,967	J. W. Martin, 25th October—Chinwangtung 19th October, Gibb, Livingston & Co.
HONGKONG	French str. 732	A. Cornelissen, 28th Oct.—Haiphong 23rd and Hoilow 27th Oct., General—A. B. Marly.
INDOMARU	British str. 4,956	H. Nish, 28th October—Shanghai 23rd Oct., General—Butterfield & Swire.
MATHILDE	German str. 831	A. P. Ulstrup, 29th Oct.—Haiphong and Hoilow 28th Oct., General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
MARY	British str. 502	H. S. Smith, 23rd Oct.—Tamsui 27th Oct., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
KOREA	American str. 5,551	S. Sandberg, 21st Oct.—San Francisco 24th Oct., Mails and General—P. M. S. S. Co.
LIGHTNING	British str. 2,192	E. Peay, 29th October—Calcutta and Singapore 23rd Oct., General—David Sassoon & Co.
MATHILDE	German str. 831	A. P. Ulstrup, 29th Oct.—Haiphong and Hoilow 28th Oct., General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
MAUSAN	British str. 1,941	R. Houghton, 29th October—Scandinavian 24th Oct., Timber and General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
MONTRAIL	British str. 3,250	S. Samuels, 20th October—General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
MONTAGUE	British str. 3,933	S. Robinson, 18th October—Vancouver B.C. 30th Sept., Mails and General—C.P. R. Co.
MONTAUK	British str. 1,737	F. W. Bolton, 19th October—Freemantle W.A. 2nd Oct., Sandal Wood—Simpson & Co.
MONTAUK	British str. 1,236	D. Reimers, 28th October—Bengkuk 21st October, Rice and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.
PRONTO	Norwegian str. 837	Tschaeng 9th October, Rice 14th October—Saigon 9th October, Rice
SAUNDAR	British str. 2,350	S. Samuels, 20th October—Tientsin 14th October, Bullard & Co.
PAINTER	British str. 2,350	S. Samuels, 20th October—General—General—William Howett.
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PITANGULOK	German str. 1,260	D. Reimers, 28th October—Hoilow 21st October, Rice
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCEL MAILS, HOMEWARD.

Parcels for the United Kingdom—via GIBRALTAR—posted up to 5 p.m. on Friday, the 1st November, are due in London about the 7th of December, and those posted up to 5 p.m. on Friday the 15th November, are due in London on the 21st December.

With an additional fee of 60 cents, parcels may be forwarded via BRINDISI and if posted before 5 p.m. on the 15th November, would accompany the letter mail, due in London on the 16th December.

Parcels intended for New Year's delivery should also be forwarded by the mail of the 15th November, as the next parcel mail of the 29th November is not due in London till the 4th January, 1908, unless they are posted to be forwarded overland via BRINDISI in which case an additional fee of 60 cents must be paid, such parcels are due in London about the 30th December.

The rates of postage on ordinary parcels are as follows:

For a parcel not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight	60 cents.
" " 7 lbs.	\$1.20 "
" " 11 lbs.	\$1.80 "

Under no circumstances will parcels weighing over 11 lbs. be forwarded.

All parcels containing jewellery or any article of gold or silver must be insured. All insured parcels must be sealed. The seals must bear the impression of a device or private mark. Coins must not be used for sealing purposes.

International Reply Coupons may be exchanged with the following Countries:

Gibraltar, Karafuto (Japanese Nagasaki), Manchuria (Japanese Post Office), Norway,

and the Norwegian Post Offices in Spitzbergen.

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DATE

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Huiching	Friday, 1st, 8.00 A.M.
Hainan	Hongkong	Friday, 1st, 9.00 A.M.
Melville, Thursday Island, Cooktown Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Nikko Maru	Friday, 1st, 10.00 A.M.
BRANCHES	Devonport	Friday, 1st, 10.00 A.M.
		Friday, 1st, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOREA, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	Korea	Friday, 1st, 10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents)	Sui Tai	Friday, 1st, 11.00 A.M.
	Heliopolis	Friday, 1st, 3.00 P.M.
	Yuenlong	Friday, 1st, 3.00 P.M.
	Idomenes	Friday, 1st, 4.00 P.M.
	Long Muh	Friday, 1st, 5.00 P.M.
	Mathilde	Friday, 1st, 5.00 P.M.
	Kawagawa Maru	Saturday, 2nd, 5.00 P.M.
	Delhi	Printed Matter and Samples
		Registration, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, with Int. of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
		No late fee.
		Land and Building—Hongkongland
		Hongkong Electric
		Hongkong Hotel Co.
		Hongkong Ice Co.
		Hongkong Hope Co.
		Insurance—Canton
		China Fire
		China Traders
		Hongkong Fire
		North China Union
		Yangtze
		Land and Building—Hongkongland
		Humphrey's Estate
		Kowloon Land & B.
		Shanghai Land
		West Point Banking
		Mining—Charbonnage
		Raubs
		Peak Tramways
		Philippine Co.
		Reineries—China Sugar
		Luxon Sing
		Steamship Companies—China and Manilla
		Douglas Steamship
		H. Cantor & H.
		Indo-China S.N. Co.
		Shell Transport Co.
		Star Ferry
		No. New
		Watson & Co. Ltd.
		United Asbestos
		Do. Founders
		Union Waterfront Co.
		VERNON & SMITH
		CLOSING QUOTATIONS
		October 31st
		ON LONDON—
		Telegraphic Transfer
		Bank Bills, on demand
		Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight
		Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight
		Credit, at 3 months' sight
		Domestic Bills, at 4 months' sight
		ON PARIS—
		Bank Bills, on demand
		Credit, at 4 months' sight
		ON GERMANY—
		on demand
		ON NEW YORK—
		Bank Bills, on demand
		Credit, at 60 days' sight
		ON BOMBAY—
		Telegraphic Transfer
		Bank, on demand
		ON CALCUTTA—
		Telegraphic Transfer
		Bank, on demand
		ON SHANGHAI—
		Bank, at sight
		Print, 30 days' sight
		ON YOKOHAMA—On demand
		ON MANILA—On demand—Pesos 100
		ON SINGAPORE—On demand
		ON BATAVIA—On demand
		ON HAIPHONG—On demand
		ON SAIGON—On demand
		ON HANOI—On demand
		SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate \$9.70
		GOLD LEAF, 100 Baos, per tael
		Ba Silver, per oz.
		SUBSIDARY COINS
		per cent.
		Chinese 20 cents pieces \$4.80 discount
		10 " " 5.75 "
		Hongkong 20 " " 4.55 "
		10 " " 5.45 "
		OPIUM
		October 31st
		Quotations are—
		Malwa New ... \$880 per picul.
		Malwa Old ... \$940 "
		Malwa Older ... \$980 "
		Malwa V. Old ... \$1030 "
		Persian fine quality ... \$700 "
		Persian extra fine ... \$750 "
		Patna New ... 1917 per chest.
		Patna Old ... \$920 "
		Benares New ... \$880 "
		Benares Old ... — "
		DOCK No. 3
		Extreme Length ... 722 feet.
		Length on Blocks ... 714 "
		Width of Entrance on Top ... 964 "
		Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 884 "
		Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 344 "
		DOCK No. 1
		Extreme Length ... 523 feet.
		Length on Blocks ... 513 "
		Width of Entrance on Top ... 88 "
		Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 77 "
		Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 64 "
		DOCK No. 2
		Extreme Length ... 571 feet.
		Length on Blocks ... 585 "
		Width of Entrance on Top ... 68 "
		Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 58 "
		Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 22 "
		PATENT SLIP
		Suitable for vessels up to 1,000
		THE WORKS are well equipped with LATEST PLANTS and APPLIANCES to undertake BUILDING or REPAIRING SHIPS, ENGINES, and BOILERS; and also ELECTRICAL WORK.
		A LARGE STOCK of MATERIAL is always kept on hand.
		The COMPANY has the powerful steamer "OURA-MARU" (712 tons, 700 I.H.P. specially built for SALVAGE PURPOSES equipped with necessary gear, always ready Short Notice.
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DIAMOND BRAND AMOROSO SHERRY

STRENGTHENING,

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Our AMOROSO SHERRY can be taken equally before, during or after meals and can be enjoyed whilst smoking.

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS.

I hereby certify that I have very carefully analysed a sample of Sherry—AMOROSO—received from MESSRS. H. RUTTONJEE & SON of Hongkong, and from the results of my investigations I have formed a very favourable opinion as to its qualities as a genuine and healthful wine.

It is a pure and wholesome product, made from the best grown grapes, and is entirely free from all foreign ingredients, and possesses tonic and sustaining properties to a high degree.

I consider that it will prove invaluable for bracing the nerves, and invigorating the system.

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TO-DAY.

Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales 1 coms, Messrs.

Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.

Lebanese Opera Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Oct. 9th—Silesia (Ger.), 12th—Glenorgan,

Oycock, Syria, Tournay, 16th—Ceylon; Pezin,

19th—Henman, Potynesien, Cardiganshire,

Princ. Heinrich, Peleus, Wakao, Meru, 23rd,

Sachet, Patoo, 24th—Austria, Bengal, Ceylon;

Marsa, Glencon, Erroll, 26th—Salsette,

Cyclops, Memnon, Telmacus, Koenig,

29th—Dortmund, Monmouthshire, Dinevan,

Nyanza.

ARRIVAL AT HOME.

Oct. 29th—Semicorn, Australian.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, October 31st.

Previous Day at 8 p.m. On Date at 10 a.m. On Date at 4 p.m.

Barometer 29.78 30.01 29.95

Temperature 72 76 74

Humidity 83 74 78

Wind Direction N E

Force 1 0 1

Weather o o op

Rain 0.04

Highest open air Temperature on 30th 81

Lowest open air Temperature on 30th 65

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From November 1st to 7th, 1907.

HIGH WATER.

LOW WATER.

Hongkong Mean Time.

Height.

ft. in.

ft.